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**IN THE U. S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: ~~Paul et al.~~

Art Unit: ~~1743~~

Application Number: ~~09/503739~~

Examiner: ~~Ludlow, I~~

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For: **SAMPLE INJECTOR FOR HIGH PRESSURE LIQUID  
CHROMATOGRAPHY**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D. C. 20231

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

This preliminary amendment is directed to the accompanying  
Application, a Division of prior co-pending Application No. 09/548,475  
filed 04/13/00, from which benefit is claimed.

**IN THE SPECIFICATION**

**Please amend the first line of the Specification to read:**

**A1**  
This application is a Division of prior co-pending Application No.  
09/548,475, filed 04/13/00.

**IN THE CLAIMS**

**Please cancel claims 1-7 and 9-12.**

**Please add the following new claims 13-15.**

**A2**  
**3001**  
13. A method for injecting a sample into a microscale chromatography  
column, comprising: